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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 635 By Womack

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Ron Couey and the excellent 1999-2000 Murfreesboro Central Middle School boys' basketball team on winning the Tennessee Middle School Athletic Association state championship.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially recognize our talented athletic teams; and

WHEREAS, during their memorable 1999-2000 season, the outstanding Murfreesboro Central Middle School boys' basketball team won the coveted Tennessee Middle School Athletic Association state championship; and

WHEREAS, having also won the championship in 1997, this was the second TMSAA state title for Murfreesboro Central; and

WHEREAS, despite a difficult schedule, this great squad won the LMTC season and conference championships; and

WHEREAS, their glorious road to the ultimate championship also included the TMSAA Southern Area Championship; and

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WHEREAS, Murfreesboro Central compiled a rare unblemished 20-0 overall record; and WHEREAS, hardworking **Head Coach Ron Couey** and his fine **Assistants, Bill West** and **Web Hutchings** have done a superb job; and

WHEREAS, the team's top players include: **Marease Crawford**, the TMSAA Mid-State Most Valuable Player and three All-State players, **La Brian Lyons, Matt Addison**, and **Carlos Crawford**; and

WHEREAS, the other team members were: Nick Watson, Brady Neal, Rolandis

Murray, Tim Corder, Chris Smith, James Malone. Greg Peck, Matt Joines, and Greg

Johnston; each of whom performed well; and

WHEREAS, the valuable managers were: **Chase Moss**, and **Will West**; and WHEREAS, the cheerleaders also played an important role in the success of the team. The cheerleader sponsors were: **Vicky Petty, Matt Marlatt, Lee Anne Hayes,** and **Nancy Massell**; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body pause in its deliberations to pay homage to this exemplary team; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Coach Ron Couey and the 1999-2000 Murfreesboro Central Middle School boys' basketball team on their many accomplishments, including winning the Tennessee Middle School Athletic Association state championship, and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and to each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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